Adopted IEEE P802.3df Objectives

Non-Rate Specific

- Support full-duplex operation only
- Preserve the Ethernet frame format utilizing the Ethernet MAC
- Preserve minimum and maximum FrameSize of current IEEE 802.3 standard
- Support a BER of better than or equal to 10 -13 at the MAC/PLS service interface (or the frame loss ratio equivalent)
- Provide support to enable mapping over OTN

400 Gb/s Related

- Support a MAC data rate of 400 Gb/s
- Define a physical layer specification that supports 400 Gb/s operation:
 - over 4 pairs of SMF with lengths up to at least 2 km

800 Gb/s Related

- Support a MAC data rate of 800 Gb/s
- Support optional eight-lane 800 Gb/s attachment unit interfaces for chip-to-module and chip-to-chip applications
- Define a physical layer specification that supports 800 Gb/s operation:
 - over eight lanes of twin axial copper cables with a reach up to at least 2 meters
 - over eight lanes over electrical backplanes supporting an insertion loss ≤ 28dB at 26.56GHz
 - over 8 pairs of MMF with lengths up to at least 50 m
 - over 8 pairs of MMF with lengths up to at least 100 m
 - over 8 pairs of SMF with lengths up to at least 500 m
 - over 8 pairs of SMF with lengths up to at least 2 km

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